

# SMOKE SIGNALS

Volume 41/Number 11 May/June 2009



## Administration's Message

Dear Residents:

The long hard winter of 2008/2009 is now history (hopefully) and I am sure most of us have enjoyed these few scattered days of springlike weather so far. Bring on some more!

Once again we thank Public Works Superintendent Ed Santen and his crew for keeping the Village streets in good shape all winter, despite a shortage of salt for much of the winter.

We trust everyone had a happy and blessed Easter. The annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Village was held on the Saturday before Easter in Blackhawk Park and was a huge success, perhaps helped by the great weather that day. Thanks to those who contributed to the success of the Easter Egg Hunt: Mayor Rich Andrews, Diane Andrews, Jonathan Andrews, Bridget Anselmo, Debbie Anselmo, Trustee Anne Bermier, Trustee Carol Coleman, past Mayor Rich Pellegrino, Rachel Pellegrino and her friends Kylee McDermott, Tera Havey and Melissa Quirk, Hope Walsh and Trustee Matt Walsh. A new fun event was added this year, thanks to Mr. Tony Malcak, a resident of Wilshire Green, who performed a thrilling magic show for the children and adults.

Congratulations to Trustee Debbie Anselmo, Anne Bermier and Carol Coleman for winning another four year term as Village Trustees in the April 7th Election. The three trustees ran unopposed and the voter turn out was very low. Our democracy and government at all levels are based on elections so it is important to have elections and for people to vote. Congratulations also to Trustee Anne Bermier who is now starting her eighth consecutive term as a trustee for our Village. This is a very impressive record. Thank you, Anne, for your service to the Village all of these years.

Congratulations and welcome to Police Officer Paul Retzke who was sworn in at the April Board meeting as a new Police Officer for Indian Head Park. Officer Retzke fills a position which has been vacant for quite some time.

Also, at the April meeting, the Board voted to increase the price of vehicle stickers from \$35.00 to \$50.00 for passenger vehicles as well as increases for other classes of vehicles effective May 1, 2009. New vehicle stickers must be purchased and displayed by June 30, 2009. By the time you read this message you should have received vehicle sticker applications in the mail. The Mayor and Board of Trustees do

not find any great joy in having to increase sticker fees or the recent water and sewer rate increases. However, Indian Head Park is no different than most other villages, cities, states, schools, park districts, etc., in that there is a revenue shortfall due to the economic situation and the prices the Village must pay for goods and services. In order to provide residents with water and sewer services, police protection and the many other services provided, the Village must have the revenues needed to pay its bills.

The Western Springs-Indian Head Park Aging Well team continues to plan and promote progress designed to help senior citizens live a better and longer life. The team is part of the Aging Well Initiative of Greater Lyons Township. Other villages and cities in Lyons Township have similar teams who also provide events and activities geared to senior living. Seniors from all areas of Lyons Township are welcome to attend events and programs offered by any of the Aging Well teams. Notices of these events are published in local newspapers, the Village's newsletter and flier announcements are also available at the Village offices. Additional information regarding Aging Well programs may be obtained by contacting Annette McClain or Stephanie Bailey at (708) 354-1323, extension 19. New ideas and suggestions regarding services in the area are also welcome as well as greater participation in the senior programs. If you are interested in participating in the Aging Well Initiative, please contact Norman Schnauffer at (708) 246-0301 or Mike Doepke at (708) 466-4770. Save the date, Saturday, August 8, 2009, for Indian Head Park's 50th Anniversary celebration. Incorporation as a Village was actually on August 4, 1959. This event will be in Blackhawk Park from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. There will be music, food and fun for everyone. The 50th Anniversary of our Village is a significant event and deserves to be celebrated in some special way. All plans and details have not yet been finalized, so watch for more information to be announced in the next several weeks as we get closer to August 8th.

Remember to visit our local government cable channel 6 bulletin board, the Village Website at [www.indianheadpark-il.gov](http://www.indianheadpark-il.gov) and the Smoke Signals newsletter for the latest news and information on Village events.

Sincerely,

Trustee Norman L. Schnauffer

# Swine Flu Update

Outbreaks of a novel strain of swine flu had been detected in humans in several states in the United States as well as Mexico and possibly other countries prompting the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to declare a public health notice.

## What do we know?

- The swine flu is a respiratory disease of pigs caused by type A influenza that regularly causes outbreaks of influenza among pigs.
  - Swine flu viruses do not normally infect humans. However, human infections with swine flu do occur mostly after direct contact with infected animals, and causes human-to-human spread of the swine flu virus.
- Symptoms of the swine flu virus are similar to that of the regular flu – fever, sore throat, cough, muscle aches and occasionally nausea.

- Because this virus is so new, there is no vaccine against the swine flu. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) is taking initial steps to develop a vaccine against this strain of the flu, which may take a few months.

## What you can do

- Cover your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Alcohol based hand cleaners are also effective.
- If you are sick, stay home and limit contact with others.
- Visit your health care provider if you have a high fever or other symptoms that persist.

For updates and information regarding the swine flu virus, please visit the following Website: <http://www.cdc.gov/swine-flu/whatsnew.htm>

## TRADING POST

Alterations . . . Experienced with silks, woolens, ultrasuede and leathers. Hems, zippers, buttons replaced, and bedspread repairs. Heirloom christening gowns, etc. Call (708) 246-6635.

For Sale. . . . 1996 Mitsubishi Galant ES, 134,000 miles. For further details, please call (708) 246-1301.

For Sale. . . . Kenmore frost free commercial freezer \$325, Antique walnut dresser with mirror \$300, Drexel Heritage Cabernet classic french dresser plus mirror \$400, Drexel Heritage king size cane headboard \$250. All in excellent condition, call Jean at (708) 246-6635.

## Scheduled Meeting Dates

### Village Board of Trustees 7:30 p.m.:

Thursday, May 14, 2009

Thursday, June 11, 2009

### Planning and Zoning Commission 7:30 p.m.:

Tuesday, June 2, 2009

### Fire/Police Commission 7:00 p.m.:

No meetings scheduled at this time.

### E-911 Board 6:30 p.m.:

No meetings scheduled at this time.

All meetings are held at the Municipal Facility at 201 Acacia Drive. All residents are welcomed!

## Smoke Signals

Newsletter Coordinator, Kathy Leach  
(708) 246-7099, extension 101  
[kleach@indianheadpark-il.gov](mailto:kleach@indianheadpark-il.gov)

## Volume 41, Number 11

Circulation 2000

*Smoke Signals* is published by the Village of Indian Head Park to inform its residents of present activities in the village and the ever-growing plans for the future in the pursuit of better government and good citizenship.

Teepee Topics news items should be submitted to the Newsletter Coordinator at the Municipal Offices.

Full page advertisements - \$200.00, 1/2 page advertisements - \$125.00, 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" size advertisements - \$75.00, business card size advertisements - \$45.00, trading post advertisements - \$20.00 (no commercial advertisements - the advertisement will run two times at no cost, then a \$20.00 charge).

Extra copies and back issues (up to one year) of *Smoke Signals* can be obtained at the Village Hall.

**Deadline date for the next issue is June 12, 2009.**

[www.indianheadpark-il.gov](http://www.indianheadpark-il.gov)

## VILLAGE OF INDIAN HEAD PARK

201 Acacia Drive, Indian Head Park, IL 60525  
(708) 246-3080  
[www.indianheadpark-il.gov](http://www.indianheadpark-il.gov)

## Office Hours

Mon., Tues., Wed. and Fri 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and

Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Closed Saturday, Sunday and Holidays

**Mayor:** Richard S. Andrews

**Trustees:** Deborah A. Anselmo Carol Coleman  
Brian T. Bailey Norman L. Schnauffer  
Anne Bermier Matthew P. Walsh II

**Village Clerk:** Joseph V. Consolo

**Chief of Police/  
Administrator:** Frank Alonzo, Jr.

**Police Dept.** Non-Emergency 246-4534  
**Emergency** 9-1-1

**Fire Dept.** Non-Emergency 352-9229  
**Emergency** 9-1-1

The advertisements and notices of privately sponsored events or activities contained in *Smoke Signals* are provided for informational purposes only, and do not necessarily reflect the opinions or policies of the Village of Indian Head Park, its officials or employees. The inclusion of a product advertisement or notice of a privately sponsored event or activity herein should not be construed as an endorsement by the Village of that product, event or activity.

## July 4th Celebration

The annual Pleasantdale Park District July 4th Celebration will be held at Walker Park in Burr Ridge and the festival activities will begin with a pancake breakfast in the morning followed by several activities throughout the day. The original Bluze Brothers DJ Show will provide entertainment and the musical group "The Associates" will perform a variety of Motown music, classic rock, blues, R & B, jazz, country and more! The Independence Day fireworks spectacular by Premier Pyrotechnics will begin at 9:30 p.m. For further details regarding the July 4th celebration, please visit the following Website: [www.pleasantdaleparks.org](http://www.pleasantdaleparks.org) or contact the park district at (630) 662-6220.



## Observance of Memorial Day

Memorial Day reminds us of our duties towards the wounded soldiers and the bereaved families of deceased soldiers. Memorial Day is observed in a variety of ways to show our gratitude towards those that have served in our military as follows:

- Adorning the graves of the soldiers with flags or flowers.
- Visiting cemeteries and memorials.
- Furling the American Flag at half-mast until noon.
- Furling the 'POW/MIA Flag'.
- Keep silence for a minute at 3 p.m., 'National Moment of Remembrance' and listen to Taps being played.
- Take a pledge to aid the disabled veterans, widows, widowers and orphans of the dead and keep it.
- You may support the efforts to restore the traditional day of observance of Memorial Day back to May 30th.
- Offering thanks to the veterans and appreciating the ultimate sacrifices of the soldiers to the bereaved families personally may help too.

### Advertisements

#### ***Selling or Buying a Home?***

*Call for a FREE No obligation  
Market Evaluation!*

**Rose Mary Woodley, ABR**  
Real Estate Broker Associate  
**Direct 630-586-7450**



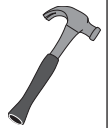
### Advertisements

## CARPENTER

**Looking for small jobs  
40 years experience**



**Call Bob  
708-246-0164**



## The Pomp Room

**Full Service Beauty Shop**  
Styling for Men, Women & Children  
**246-8680**

**6934 Wolf Road • Indian Head Park, IL 60525**  
in Indian Head Park Shopping Center (Where 66 & Wolf Road Meet)

Hours: Mon.-Sat. 9-5 • Thurs. 9-7 • Closed Sundays

Frank DeLaurentis, owner

*Bring in a friend!  
Recommend a new client and  
you will both receive a 20%  
discount off any service.*

**NOTE: Not valid with any other offers.**

## JOHN C. SKREKO, DDS, FAGD, FADI

FELLOW ACADEMY OF  
DENTISTRY  
INTERNATIONAL

FELLOW ACADEMY OF  
GENERAL DENTISTRY  
GENERAL DENTIST



**Visit our new location at 6961 Vine Street,  
Indian Head Park**

*(in the new Village Centre Building  
behind the IHP Plaza)*

Serving the community 1978 -2009

**Call for an appointment (708) 246-1263**

Most procedures performed.

(Tee Pee Topics, continued from page 6)

Mayor Richard and Diane Andrews are pleased to announce the upcoming nuptial of their daughter Erica Lynn to Michael O'Donovan Hearn of Wheaton, Illinois, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hearn of Glen Ellyn, Illinois.



Erica is a 1999 graduate of Immaculate Heart of Mary High School. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics from Benedictine University in 2004. While at Benedictine, she earned membership in the Pi Mu Epsilon and Kappa Mu Epsilon honor societies. Erica will be completing her Masters Degree in Math Education from DePaul University this June, 2009. She is currently employed as a Math teacher and cheerleading coach at Glenbard South High School.

Michael is a 1995 graduate of Glenbard South High School. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in Finance from the University of Illinois in Champaign. He was a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. Michael has also received his Masters Degree in Math Education from DePaul University in 2004. He is currently employed as a Math teacher and football/basketball coach at Glenbard South High School.

#### Heritage Center Library

Want to share a great experience with your best friend? Team up to volunteer at the Heritage Center Library. You can share the hours the library is open or if that is too long a commitment you can split the time. Hours: Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Sundays 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. We encourage involvement from our younger adult residents. Your participation is valued. The building itself is an enticement never mind having the time to enjoy browsing thru on the books. Call Jane Kuhn at (708) 246-0293 and she can put you on the schedule.

#### Advertisements

### Your Ashbrook Specialist . . .

Put 40+ years of real estate experience in the Western Suburbs to work for you!

Pat Lehman  
CRS, GRI  
630/586-7440



#### Advertisements



### WILLOW HILLS

Restaurant & Pancake House

Breakfast - Lunch - Dinner - Carry outs

6678 S. Joliet Road  
Indian Head Park, IL 60525

Ph. (708) 783-1089  
Fax (708) 783-1092

*One complimentary drink per coupon.  
Coupon expires June 30, 2009.*

PARK PLACE  
of  
Countryside  
Banquet Halls



PARK PLACE  
of  
Countryside  
Banquet Halls

Joe Tiscareno  
General Manager  
Cell 630-878-8350

708-588-1756 fax 708-482-9534

[parkplaceonline.net](http://parkplaceonline.net)

6240 Joliet Road Countryside, IL 60525

## M & M CEMENT CONSTRUCTION

(708) 425-4452

Sidewalks, driveways, patios, foundations  
retaining walls, concrete steps, garage floors  
tuckpointing, brick work.

No job too small.

HEATING AND  
AIR CONDITIONING  
CONTRACTORS

the **HEAT** engineering co.



6500 JOLIET ROAD  
COUNTRYSIDE, IL 60525

Phone (708) 246-3300  
Fax (708) 579-0264

[www.heatengineering.com](http://www.heatengineering.com)



*Does your bank offer* **FREE CHECKING**  
*that pays you interest? We Do!*

**SPECIAL OFFER**

**\$50\***

Bonus for Direct Deposit

- FREE - Internet Banking
- FREE - Online Bill Pay
- FREE - 1st Order of Checks
- FREE - 24 hr. Phone Banking
- FREE - ATM Usage
- FREE - Imaged Checks
- FREE - 3 x 5 Safe Deposit Box
- FREE - MasterMoney Debit Card

*"A Neighborhood Bank Serving the Community for Over 93 Years"*

## Western Springs National Bank & Trust

4456 Wolf Road, Western Springs, IL • 6575 Joliet Road, Countryside, IL

Phone: (708) 246-2200 • 24 hour Phone Banking (888) 246-4455

[www.westernspringsbank.com](http://www.westernspringsbank.com)



If account closed in the first 12 months or Direct Deposit stopped \$50.00 bonus to be debited from account. The \$50.00 bonus will be reported as interest earned and is subject to 1099 reporting. Limited to one bonus per account. Consumer accounts only. Interest paid on daily collected balances over \$5000.00. 10 free non proprietary transactions per statement cycle. Afterwards a surcharge of \$1.50 will be charged. Usage fees may be charged by the institution that owns ATM. Limited time offer.



### Wildlife Police, Inc.

**Humane Animal Rescue**

**Professional Nuisance Wildlife Removal of:**



- |             |                    |                   |
|-------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| ❖ Raccoons  | ❖ Ground Hogs      | ❖ Bats            |
| ❖ Squirrels | ❖ Chipmunks        | ❖ Snakes/Reptiles |
| ❖ Opossums  | ❖ Flying Squirrels | ❖ Bees, Wasps     |
| ❖ Skunks    | ❖ Birds            | ❖ Hornets & More  |

**(630) 789-WILD (9453)**

**Professional Quality Removal Service From:**

- |           |                |                   |
|-----------|----------------|-------------------|
| ❖ Roofs   | ❖ Chimneys     | ❖ Walls           |
| ❖ Attics  | ❖ Stoops       | ❖ Crawl Spaces    |
| ❖ Soffits | ❖ Decks        | ❖ Basements       |
| ❖ Vents   | ❖ Window Wells | ❖ Furnaces & More |

10% Discount  
For  
All Seniors

**Professional Quality Service  
Animal Proofing Available**

24 Hour  
Emergency  
Service



## TEEPEE TOPICS

Congratulations to the following students from Indian Head Park on their academic achievements!

**Chara Dubin**, was one of 160 students accepted into the Professional School of Pharmacy, Doctorate Program, at Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana. Chara will be starting this fall and there were well over 1,000 applicants.

**Anna Bosy**, was named to the Dean's List for the fall quarter at DePaul University. This honor is awarded to students who achieve a grade point average of 3.5 or above.

**Kristina Bouzios**, Peter Fiflis, Marjorie Fisher, Talia Kraft and Antoinette Valenta were named the Dean's List at the University of Illinois.

**Highlands Middle School** announced the following students who earned designation on the honor roll: **Dominica Bendyk, Ellen Berry, Adam Conrath, Austin Goetz, John Harlow, Tayler Hayes, Justin Hinshaw, Teddy Rogozinski, Egle Visgintas, Na-On Weeraklaew, Kelsey Wilp, Jacob Wittenberg, Christina Yelnick, Zachary Carlson, Leslie Hernandez, Matthew Janowiak, Jeffrey MacDonald, Stephanie MacDonald, Katelyn Marino, Liesel Metz, Meghan Sargent, Rocco Stefanini, Erin Blaber, Kaitlyn Fehrman, Taryn Kryza, Mike Mayer, Alexandra Miller, Frankie Nix, Zachary Prinz, Katherine Raleigh, Robert Watkins, Silvia Bendyk, Paige Costelloe, Stephanie**

**Countryman, Wesley Dekorski, Tyler Giacomelli, Mary Gronke, Molly Heger, Justin Rhiner, Trevor Bouma, Kelsey Corcoran, Karli Fehrman, Phillip Janowiak, Olivia Jones, Katarina Kaplarevic, Anne LeFevour, Anne LeFevour, Joseph Leonard, Tessa Metz, Kelli O'Laughlin, Daniel O'Malley, Jessica Sholler, Dante Stefanini, Matthew Stevens, Alexander Vasti, Oliver Wilp, Jessica Wittenberg, Erin Wang, Jessica Bendyk, Jackson Golz, James Kourafas, Max Strohl, Nicholas Valdivia, John Wing, Kyle Yang.**

The Indian Head Park Woman's Club will be hosting the club's banquet and installation of officers on May 19, 2009 at Salerno Pincette Restaurant in Hodgkins. For further details, please contact Patricia Martin at (708) 246-2583.

Our condolences to the families and friends of the following Indian Head Park residents who passed away: Adeline Pierce, a devoted grandmother of eight and great grandmother of eight. Richard Caimens, age 86, who served on the Chicago Police Department for 26 years. He was a U.S. Army Air Force Veteran who served in World War II. John Acke who was a World War II Army Veteran. Henrietta Marciniak, age 92.

*(Tee Pee Topics continued on page 4)*

Printed on recycled paper

Postal Customer  
Indian Head Park, Illinois  
60525



Presorted Standard  
U.S. Postage  
Paid  
Indian Head Park, IL  
Permit No. 203